AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Original) An information search system comprising:

a reception server which is connected to a network including the Internet to receive an access request from an external system connected to the network;

access data storing means for storing searchably in association with search condition information including one or a plurality of words and association information for semantically associating the words with one another, access information expressing a location of information to be searched which is specified by the search condition information;

registration processing means, connected to said reception server, for performing registration of the access information into a database under a predetermined condition, based on a registration request received via the network; and

searching means, connected to said reception server, for searching the search condition information in the database under a predetermined condition, based on a search request received via the network and outputting a search result which includes the access information corresponding to the search condition information.

2. (Original) The information search system of claim 1, wherein the access information comprises a link address to a message board or a home page.

3. (Original) The information search system of claim 2, wherein the association information comprises a short association word which indicates relation between the words, including apposition, possessive, belongingness, attribution, purpose or relation.

4. (Original) The information search system of claim 3, wherein the association word comprises: "of", "for" and "on".

5. (Currently Amended) The information search system of claim 3 ~~or 4~~, wherein the association word corresponds to a predetermined association word in another language.

6. (Original) The information search system of claim 5, wherein said searching means carries out search by exact matching of search condition information specified by the search request and the search condition information in the database.

7. (Currently Amended) The information search system of claim 3 ~~or 4~~, wherein said registration processing means comprises information storing means which is

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accessed based on the access information and said information string means comprises information registering means for registering information to be provided, corresponding to the search condition information.

8. (Original) The information search system of claim 7, wherein said information storing means comprises a message board.

9. (Original) The information search system of claim 8, wherein the association word corresponds to a predetermined association word in another language

10. (Original) The information search system of claim 9, wherein said searching means carries out search by exact matching of search condition information specified by the search request and the search condition information in the database.

11. (Original) An information search method comprising the steps of:

(a) receiving an access request form an external system connected to a network;

(b) in response to a request from the external system, registering in a database: search condition information including one or a plurality of words and predetermined association information for semantically associating the words with one another; and access information for accessing to public information disclosed corresponding to the search condition information so as to allow search with use of the search condition information as search key information;

(c) in response to a request from the external system, searching the database based on the search condition information specified by the external system and reading out the access information corresponding to the search condition information; and

(d) transmitting the access information read out as a search result to the external system.

12. (Original) The information search method of claim 11, wherein said step (b) further comprises the step of:

(b-1) in response to a request from the external system, registering public information disclosed corresponding to the search condition information in a predetermined disclosing medium.

13. (Original) The information search method of claim 12, wherein the access information registered in the step (b) comprises a link address to a home page or a message board.

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14. (Original) The information search method of claim 13, wherein the association information comprises a short association word which indicates relation between the words, including apposition, possessive, belongingness, attribution, purpose or relation.

15. (Original) The information search method of claim 14, wherein the association word comprises: "of", "for" and "on".

16. (Currently Amended) The information search method of claim 13 ~~or 14~~, wherein the association word corresponds to a predetermined association word in another language.

17. (Original) The information search method of claim 16, wherein searching in said step (c) is carried out by exact matching of search condition information specified by the request and the search condition information in the database.